powered and directed to investigate and determine what changes should be made in the laws of the State of North Carolina affecting the descent and distribution of property of intestates, the duties and powers of executors, administrators, guardians, trustees, and other fiduciaries, and in such other statutes of the State as the commission may deem advisable, for the purpose of modernizing and simplifying the law relating to wills and the probate thereof, the administration of estates and trusts, and the systems for the devolution of real and personal property; to make report thereon, and to prepare proper legislation for such purpose to be submitted to the one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven General Assembly of North Carolina.

Report to 1937 General Assembly.

Time of appointment.

Time of making

Copies to members-elect.

Expenses but no pay allowed.

Provision for secretary and other assistants.

Appropriation for study.

SEC. 2. That it shall be the duty of the Governor to appoint said commission within sixty days after the ratification of this act.

SEC. 3. That it shall be the duty of said commission to make and file its report, setting forth its conclusions and recommendations, as herein provided for, to the Governor not later than thirty days before the convening of the one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven session of the General Assembly, which report shall be transmitted by the Governor to the General Assembly.

SEC. 4. That it shall be the duty of the Governor not later than December tenth, of one thousand nine hundred thirty-six, to cause sufficient number of copies of said report to be printed and to mail ten copies to each member-elect of the one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven session of the General Assembly.

SEC. 5. The members of the said commission shall not receive any per diem compensation for their work but shall receive their expenses while actually engaged in the duties imposed upon them by this act. The commission may appoint some competent person to act as secretary of the commission and may engage such stenographic assistance as shall be necessary to enable its members to perform properly the duties imposed upon them by this act, and may fix the compensation of said secretary and stenographer.

SEC. 6. The expenses of this commission shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) which shall be paid out of the contingency and emergency fund provided for in the maintenance appropriation act of the session of one thousand nine hundred thirty-five in the manner provided by law.

SEC. 7. That this resolution shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 25th day of February, A. D. 1935.